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DATE: May 19, 2004

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**PATENT  
MAIL STOP RCE**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: Patent Application of : Group Art Unit: 1632  
Darwin J. Prockop et al. :  
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Appln. No.: 09/695,769 : Examiner: Ram R. Shukla  
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Filed: October 25, 2000 :   
: Attorney Docket  
For: ISOLATION AND EXPANSION OF : No.: 053844-5006  
HUMAN MARROW STROMAL CELLS : (9598-101U2)

**AFTER FINAL REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

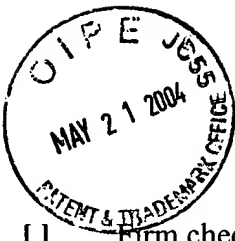
This is a request under 37 CFR 1.114 for continued examination (RCE) of the above identified application in response to the Advisory Action mailed May 10, 2004. Enclosed are the following in support of the RCE under 37 C.F.R. 1.114:

- ☒ Enter the unentered Amendment previously filed on April 19, 2004 under 37 CFR 1.116 in the above application.
- ☐ An Amendment/Request for Reconsideration.
- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and cited references.
- ☐ New formal drawings.

The following fees are enclosed:

- ☒ RCE fee of \$385 required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e).

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- ☐ Firm check(s) totalling \$\_\_\_\_.00 is/are enclosed herewith.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (Billing No. **053844-5006**) as noted below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any overpayments or deficiencies in the above-calculated fee(s).
- ☒ RCE fee in the amount of **\$385.00**.
- ☒ Extension fee in the amount of **\$265.00**.
- ☐ Additional claim fee(s) in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_.00 as calculated above
- ☒ Any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17.
- ☒ In the event that a Petition for Extension of Time is required, but not enclosed, please charge any extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to our Deposit Account noted above.

Respectfully submitted,

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